

Ausgold Wagyl Kaip Cultural Salvage Outcomes

In accordance with the Section 18 Consent under the *Aboriginal Heritage Act (1972)* granted over the Aboriginal Site DPLH 5353 (Jinker/Jinka Hill) a Cultural Salvage was undertaken by nominated representatives of the Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar Native Title Claim on Friday 11th October 2019.

Condition 2 of the Section 18 Consent granted on 24th January 2018 (ref: 69-06079) states:

Prior to the works starting, that the Applicant provides an opportunity for Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar representatives consulted to salvage cultural material on the Land within the boundary of Aboriginal site ID 5353 (Jinker / Jinka Hill).

Pursuant to this conditional consent, Ausgold Exploration Pty Ltd (Ausgold) and their heritage advisor, Heritage Link requested the participation of nominated representatives of the Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar Native Title Claim through their representative body South West Land and Sea Council (SWALSC).

The following nominated Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar representatives were present on the 11th October to undertake the Cultural Salvage:

- Trevor Eades
- Aden Eades
- Dennis Johns
- Robert Johns
- Toby Eades

In addition to the Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar representatives, Ausgold engaged the services of a consultant archaeologist - Ben Fordyce to document the cultural salvage process and provide heritage advice regarding the management of any salvaged material.

The cultural salvage was undertaken through the following process:

1. The Salvage Team met in Katanning at 9am and drove out to the Aboriginal Site DPLH 5353 (Jinker / Jinka Hill);
2. The Salvage Team inspected the stone arrangement that forms a central component of DPLH 5353 (Jinker / Jinka Hill) and discussed the process of consultation that Ausgold had undertaken to get to this point;
3. The Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar representatives declined the opportunity to salvage the stone arrangement and stated that they were satisfied with the level of consultation to date;
4. No further recommendations or requests were made by the Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar representatives regarding the management of DPLH 5353 (Jinker / Jinka Hill).



Wagyl Kaip and Southern Noongar representatives

As per the requirement of the Section 18 Consent, if Ausgold impact DPLH 5353 (Jinker /Jinka Hill) during their proposed exploration, infrastructure and mining activities they are required to provide a written report to DPLH, detailing the extent of impact and any mitigation measures employed during ground disturbing works.

Ben Fordyce
Consulting Archaeologist